



# Francis Vincent Smith

June 19, 1956 - September 19, 2023

## Obituary

Francis Vincent Smith, at the age of sixty-seven (67), died peacefully in his home in Abingdon, Maryland on September 20, 2023.

He was born on June 19, 1956 in Kearney, New Jersey to his parents, Frank and Constance Visconti.

Francis moved to Pompano Beach, Florida where he graduated high school. In 1978, he joined the United States Navy. While in the Navy, he attended Norfolk State in Norfolk, Virginia, where he graduated with honors with a degree in Healthcare Administration. With this degree, Francis became a nurse.

In 2007, he met the love of his life while working at Deer's Head Hospital in Salisbury Maryland. Dating until August 26, 2009 when they were married Francis and Inez enjoyed many blissful years together.

Francis enjoyed martial arts, antiquing, reading military magazines and most of all enjoyed his craft in Nursing.

He is survived by: his spouse Inez; her children, Natalie (Martin) Cross of

Ithaca, New York and Alan, Jr. (Kat) Littleton of Oak Forest, Illinois; his brother, Frank Viola and sister-in-law, Judy Viola of Jefferson Township, Pennsylvania and a host of grandchildren, nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Frank and Constance Visconti.

Lovingly Submitted,  
The Family

# Previous Events

## Masonic Service

OCT **13**. 11:00 AM (ET)

Eastern Shore Veterans Cemetery  
6827 E. New Market Ellwood Road  
Hurlock, MD 21643

# Tribute Wall



“ *View and Download the Funeral Program*

**Bennie Smith Funeral Home** - October 12, 2023 at 11:17 AM

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“ *I've been trying to locate Frank, my very good (best really) friend from the mid-80s when he was in the Navy in Norfolk. He was dating Bea Beale when we were going to college back in the day (early-mid 80s). He had an '83 blue Mustang. He loved Fords lol. Lost track of Frank (and Bea Beale) in about 1988 when he moved to NY to attend OCS. I just can't believe I'm reading his obit. I'm so sad now. I've been periodically trying to find him for 20 years now. Was so much hoping to find him now that I'm retired. If you guys can send me a picture of him to my cell phone number, I'd be so grateful. My ex stole all my photos in 92 and I have nothing else to remember him with. We were close!!*

*My name is Stephen, originally from Portsmouth, now back in Chesapeake. We lived a block apart back then on Redgate Ave in Norfolk, VA. Man the memories are flooding back. 757.647- zero 5 seven-one. My prayers are with you guys and all of his family! He was a solid guy. We taught each other to believe in God 1st, Country 2nd. I can still see Frank cooking and eating a box of frozen fried chicken in his apartment while we studied on the couch. Someone please respond. Thank you!!*

**Stephen Eason** - February 15, 2024 at 04:53 PM

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“ *Hey Little Brother - We miss you so much already and we'll love you forever, Frank and Judi*

**Frank and Judi Viola** - October 13, 2023 at 10:13 PM